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I. O. F.

Court Moose Jaw No. 509, holds its regular meeting in Annable Hall, or the last Tuesday in each month, at 8 o'clock p.m. Every member is requested to attend.

Next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, Mar. 31st.

W. Timmins, C.R. C. L. Ross, R.S.

JNO. BRASS,
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Orders for Auction Sales or Bailiffs' work left at office, Town Hall block, will receive prompt attention.

R-I-P-A-N-S.
ONE GIVES RELIEF.

LUMBER : YARD

—AND—

Planing Mill.

Roche Perce Coal \$4.00 a ton.

Try some of our

Graham Flour at... \$1.50 per cwt.
Wheat Meal at.... 1.50 "
Mixed Chop at.... .75 "
Oat Chop85 "

Two Baby Carriages For Sale.

E. Simpson & Co.

X'MAS 1895. NEW YEAR 1896.

OCTAVIUS FIELD,
Wholesale Dealer and Importer of
Wines, Liquors and Cigars.

Having just received the last direct importation for the season, my stock is now complete in both imported and domestic goods, consisting of the choicest brands of Irish, Scotch and Rye Whiskies, Brandy, London Old Tom and Holland Gins, Rums, Ports, Sherries, Champagnes, Claret, Sauternes, Burgundies, Ginger and Native Wines, Liqueurs and Bitters, Bass' Ale and Guinness' Stout, Cigars, Cigarettes, Etc.

Terms Spot Cash. Orders by mail receive prompt attention. Business hours from 8 to 20 o'clock.

T. W.
ROBINSON.

During the last thirteen years we have made many announcements through the public press, but this is the most important one of all to our customers, the public generally and ourselves. After those years of experience we have decided to do what should have been done from the start.

Sell
for
Cash
Only.

On April 1st, 1896, we will adopt the Cash System, and hope our customers and the public will approve of our doing so, and will continue giving us a fair share of their patronage.

Everyone knows a merchant doing a credit business cannot sell as cheap as one who sells for Cash only. In order to buy for cash, which is the only way for customers and merchants to buy right, we must sell for cash.

Our Mr. Robinson has spent the last three months in eastern markets and is in a position to know how cheap goods can be bought for spot cash, and has taken advantage of the depressed markets and bought heavily in many lines, which we can

Sell at Prices
that will
Astonish You.

The saving in office expenses, clerks, stationary, stamps, etc., etc., is a profit alone, even without the saving of losses on accounts.

Before the 1st of April we will issue a price list and circular and will make the prices so low, that we feel confident our customers and the public generally will appreciate our move and that it will result in increased business for us, and money saved for both customers and ourselves.

Yours truly,

T. W. Robinson.

'RAH FOR MOOSE JAW

THE MEDALS AND SILVER CUP COME TO STAY.

Regina and Moose Jaw Puck Chasers Cross Sticks, and the Latter Win the Second Match of the Series by a Score of 7 to 2—Other Hockey Notes.

The long-talked-of hockey tournament was started Thursday night when Regina and Moose Jaw crossed sticks at the local club rink. The following are the names of the players as they lined up on the ice:

REGINA.	MOOSE JAW.
Fair	Smith
Whitmore	Simington, W.
Melville	Keyes
Brewer	Peters
Peters	Armstrong
Pingle	Milner
Benson	Baxter
Forwards	

Mr. H. Ferguson acted as goal keeper for Regina and R. E. Doran performed a like duty for Moose Jaw. Mr. Woodward was time keeper for Regina and Mr. Nelson held the watch for Moose Jaw.

Mr. McGibbon, of Medicine Hat, was chosen referee and all arrangements having been completed the puck was placed in position and the game started at 19:13. After just two minutes of fast play the first goal was scored by Armstrong for Moose Jaw. Play was resumed and after twenty minutes play, during which time several off sides occurred, thus eating up about three minutes of time, Peters scored for Regina. Milner scored again for Moose Jaw, in just two minutes, and again in three and a half minutes another score went to Moose Jaw. Neither side had scored again though several off sides were made when half time was called.

At half time the regulation five minutes intermission was taken after which ends were changed and play was resumed at ten minutes to twenty o'clock. In four minutes Moose Jaw scored and again in eight minutes. After eight minutes more play Regina scored and just one minute later Moose Jaw scored again, and after seventeen minutes had elapsed, deducting lost time, another was added to her laurels. This ended the scoring though some two minutes more were played.

The ice was in good condition and the match was a most gentlemanly one. There was an entire absence of rough play. The referee performed his duty well and gave entire satisfaction to both teams as well as to the large crowd of spectators.

Special accommodation had been provided by the rink management for the comfort of spectators and a large number turned out to witness the game. A still larger audience will be in attendance to-night when Regina and Medicine Hat cross sticks.

The above match concluded the series between Regina and Moose Jaw for seven individual prizes, presented by Mr. Walter Scott, president of the Regina club, and a silver cup given by Postmaster Gass, of Moose Jaw.

The condition of the match was that the team winning the most goals in the series should be declared the winner. In the first match at Regina the score was seven to four in favor of Regina, but having regard to last night's match the score now stands 11 to 9 in favor of Moose Jaw. Mr. Scott has handed the seven prizes to President Neison. They consist of handsome gold scarf pins, the design being crossed sticks.

The Moose Jaw boys have purchased a handsome silver water pitcher, value \$15.00, as a tournament trophy to be competed for by the three clubs.

The Medicine Hat team are the guests of the Moose Jaw club at the Brunswick, and the Regina team are billeted at the Ottawa. Last night the Moose Jaw club invited the members of the two visiting teams to the Fraser Dramatic Company's entertainment, who had kindly postponed the commencement of their play until the termination of the hockey game.

To night Regina plays Medicine Hat. To morrow night Medicine Hat and Moose Jaw race after the puck. To morrow night an 'at home' and supper will be given by the Moose Jaw club to the visitors at the Aberdeen House.

The tournament promises to be what its promoters had anticipated—a grand success in every way.

Stove's Pocket Directory for March contains all the recent changes in the running of trains on the branch lines of the C.P.R., together with changes in stage routes, postal information, county court sittings, etc.

TOWN COUNCIL.

A Likelihood of the Fire Brigade Being Reorganized.

The regular meeting of the Town Council was held in the Clerk's office at 8:15 on Monday evening, March 2d. Present: Mayor Bogus and Councilors Wellington, Healey, Wilson, McDonald and Grayson. Minutes of meeting held Feb. 17th read and approved. Communications and accounts were read as follows:—H. Battell, salary for February; Salvation Army, asking for reduction in rent of town hall; John Bellamy, account for a table \$2.25; Martin Burns \$2.70.

On motion all communications and accounts were received, and the account of John Bellamy was referred to Finance committee.

On recommendation of the Finance committee the accounts of J. W. Ferguson (\$4.50), and Jno. Brass (\$5.00) were ordered to be paid.

The Fire, Water and Light committee reported that they held a meeting in the council chamber on Feb. 26th to discuss the advisability of reorganizing the Fire Brigade. Messrs. Gass, Smith and Brechin were present on behalf of the defunct Brigade. Mr. Gass, on behalf of the Brigade, stated that the only terms on which the old Brigade would re-organize was for the Council to furnish them with 100 feet of hose, all hose to be provided with clip couplings, and a roof ladder 20 feet long, engine lamps and a water tank gate put in order, a caretaker who shall be under the supervision of the Brigade and also that the Council furnish rooms with the necessary furniture for the sleeping accommodation of six men. The committee recommended that the Council give this matter their earnest consideration.

Moved by Grayson, seconded by Wellington, that the report be referred back to the committee and that they furnish estimates of proposed alteration necessary for the accommodation of Brigade.—Carried.

Moved by Wellington, seconded by Healey, that leave be granted Conn. Grayson to introduce by law confirming the appointment of assessor and auditors.—Carried.

Moved by Grayson, seconded by McDermid, that magistrates be allowed the privilege of using the Council Chamber in trying cases.—Carried.

Moved by Wellington seconded by Healey, that the accounts of H. Battell, salary \$35, and M. Burns, \$2.75 for work done on street, be paid.—Carried.

A meeting of Assessment committee was called by the Mayor to meet and revise the assessment roll on Wednesday night, March 4th, 1896.

Moved by Grayson, seconded by Wellington, that Mr. S. Green, J.P., be requested to furnish to the council a statement of cases tried by him under the Municipal by-law and the amounts of fines imposed if any, and paid to him under same.

By-laws for confirming the appointment of Assessors and Auditors were put through their several stages and carried. By laws are numbered 143 and 144.

Mr. W. J. Nelson, on behalf of the R. T. of M. made a verbal application to the council for a reduction in the fee charge for use of town hall.

Moved by Grayson, seconded by McDermid, that the Templars be given the use of Town Hall at \$2.50 per night during the elocution contest.—Carried.

Council adjourned.

English Village.

ENGLISH VILLAGE, March 3.—John Wilkinson had the misfortune to lose a valuable mare last Saturday.

Broke up Jack! Now is your time to go in and win, while Bertie is hauling grain.

We understand that John Poyser is going in extensively for grain raising this coming summer. Good luck to you, John.

Suckers are coming up the creek early this year. We noticed a fine specimen of one at the ranch the other day.

Seldom do the cattle look so well as they are looking now in the Valley. It has been a good winter for stock.

The Robin has had his wings singed by an old flame and is now roosting in the log hut.

Mr. Randall passed through the Valley last Friday on his way to his ranch. We hear he is going out boating. What price snowboats.

Delinquent homesteaders, beware of the Major. He intends to snap the Valley clear.

WEN LUNG.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Mr. Angus McKay Delivers an Address—Election of Officers, Etc.

MOOSE JAW GUN CLUB.

The Pigeons Were Wild But Death Was Inevitable Before the Urring Aim of Our Crack Sportsmen.

The first shoot of the Moose Jaw Gun Club was held at the traps on Wednesday, Feb. 26th. Fifteen birds were shot at and resulted in the following scores. Milestone 9, Macdonald 6, Waddell 1.

There was also a very interesting match shot on Thursday the 26th Feb., at sixteen live birds, between F. Simpson, of Winnipeg, and Messrs. Milestone and Hitchcock, of Moose Jaw, which resulted as follows: Milestone 14, Simpson 12, Hitchcock 5.

The pigeons were brought up from Brandon by Mr. Simpson and were undoubtedly the finest birds we ever saw loose from traps, and the scores of Messrs. Simpson and Milestone would do credit either to Curver or Brewer, considering the speed of the birds.

PATRONS OF INDUSTRY

County Meeting—Candidate McInnis, of Regina, Present—A Full Attendance of Delegates From Lodges.

The Moose Jaw County Association, Patrons of Industry, held a meeting in Russell Hall on Saturday, the 29th ult. There were present about forty members, most of them representing minor or affiliated societies throughout the Moose Jaw district. Mr. J. K. McInnis, of Regina, the candidate of the Patrons to contest the riding of West Assinibina at the approaching general elections, gave the members and delegates a pleasant surprise by his presence at the meeting. Mr. McInnis was called on for an address, which he gave in his usual forcible style; after which the following resolution of continued confidence in Mr. McInnis' candidature was unanimously passed:

"That the thanks of this County Association be tendered to Bro. J. K. McInnis for his address to us to-day, and after hearing him on all points in reference to his candidature do tender him a vote of confidence as our standard bearer."

Several other important matters were taken up, viz., the formation of a Grand Association for the Territories, and the purchase of blue stone for the coming season.

Mr. F. W. Green, delegate to the grand convention at Brandon, was called on and he gave a brief verbal resume of the proceedings of the late convention.

SOCIAL.

Debt on Organ Wiped Off—A Jolly Good Time.

On Wednesday evening, about five o'clock, three double sleigh-loads of people, including about twenty-seven persons, left Moose Jaw by the north-west trail headed for the residence of Mr. J. G. Beesley's some twelve miles from town. The trail was good and the weather beautiful and all the young people were in good spirits so with all these advantages there is little wonder that a right merry time was put in on the way out. On alighting at the home of Mr. Beesley, the town visitors were loyally welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. Beesley and a large number of neighbors socially inclined who had already arrived. About nine o'clock an elegant supper was served by the ladies and to which ample justice was done, especially by the Jaxites many of whom ate as they never had eaten before. After supper the visitors strolled about Mr. Beesley's spacious and well-furnished rooms, first taking a turn at this and a hand at that of the many interesting games that had been provided for their entertainment. About one o'clock another most appetising meal was served, thus fortifying the stomach against an attack of hunger on the return journey.

A collection was taken up before supper by the Rev. Mr. Ferrier of Moose Jaw, to pay off the indebtedness on the Wesley church organ. On the proceeds being counted it was found that there was enough and to spare, \$21.50 being the debt, while the collection amounted to \$24.00. The party from town arrived home about five o'clock on Thursday morning—without a break down having occurred.

Qu'A & I.H. M. J.W.	1st game	2nd "	3rd "	Total
	12	7		
	2	14		
	7	8		
	21	33		

Thus Moose Jaw made the highest aggregate score.

AGRICULTURAL

Breeding Dairy Shorthorns.

Much of the old-time interest is being revived in Shorthorn breeding circles; and we must give breeders credit for more good sense than has been displayed for many years. The March Lane Express in referring to the British dairy show, finds the great milkers exhibited not of the model Shorthorn type, while at several of the earlier dairy shows general purpose Shorthorns of truly grand conformation were to be found, but that was when the inspection classes were endowed with three valuable prizes. Dairy Shorthorns are the only ones now asked for by the council of the British Dairy Farmers' Association, and those forthcoming are almost entirely of that character.

But the improved Shorthorn is still to be found in numerous herds throughout the country for all that. Some people imagine that the deepest milkers are not to be found among pedigree Shorthorns, which is altogether a mistake, when Garne, Messrs. Hobbs, William and Daniel Arkell and other Gloucestershire farmers know better. The late Mr. Charles Hobbs once sold one of his old draft pedigree cows to a neighbor, who had always been renowned for the heavy milk yields of his ordinary grade cross-bred cows, but the new comers of pedigree milk beat the whole of them when tested. The late Mr. Tisdell of Holland Park Dairy made the discovery twenty years since that it was profitable to select his cows from pedigree herds for the London milk trade, and Mr. Edwards, of St. Albans, in the eighties, proved to the world that he knew how to breed the right sort.

There are good fine cattle as ever came out of it yet, and those who perplex their minds with the thought that this or that breed is deteriorating may well be advised to go on their travels into the rural districts, and they will find numerous deep-milking cows far surpassing in quality many of those which appear in the Agricultural Hall. But their owners, if questioned, would no doubt declare them to be too good for the show-yard, too valuable for breeding to be spoiled by the training system. While, as for heifers, everybody knows that unless reared on some such strict diet as is due to natural management, they are in great danger of losing their fecundity.

There is a rise, growth, maturity, and also a decline in herds as well as empires; now and then we find some breeders who are too slow in carrying out before him some successful scheme in the show-yard as at home. But after awhile we pass through his stalls and fail to find there what we would desire. We see a difference, but scarcely know what it is, and certainly are unable to fathom the cause of it. So many additional emboldening and tenacious affect the breeding art that an unfortunate impress from a sire may undo the good work of many generations; but, on the contrary, the same influence may cause a great leap in the reverse direction. This but may not only be granted, but insisted upon, by those allied with and served by him suddenly have an uprise which lasts for long time. Such a sire was Hubbard, whose value was not detected by the Collins Brothers, and when the latter heard it was said that his potency was such that the most ordinary wayside cottager's cow had been known to breed a grand calf to him. And there are sires of like character turning up continually, by whom agency here and there, previously good and noble, are put to shame. Suddenly raised to the very front. The improved Shorthorn is consequently to be found here and there, and often least where we expect to find the treasure. Probably there were Shorthorns thirty, forty, fifty or even sixty years ago, about as perfect in every way as it is possible to breed them, but the right sort often crop up now, and we are not likely to lose them either.

Fermentation of Manure.

Whether manure should be fermented, that is, piled up in a heap and allowed to heat, in the meanwhile being turned and kept moist enough to prevent a volatilization of ammonia, has been one of long controversy. Experiments by Professor Vaukler, of the Royal Agricultural Society of England, and of others, have shown that the fermentation of manure, when properly conducted, results in its decomposition, and under proper conditions does not involve loss of ammonia, although carbonic acid, or a part of the organic matter is lost. The material thus lost has a relation to the physical condition of soils and the decomposition process in relation to the warmth of the sun and a relation to the chemical reaction in the minerals of the soil. The question then is whether this loss is compensated by a slightly more soluble manure at the time of its application.

On sandy soil this loss of organic matter, which would appear, is a serious matter, for it is already deficient in it and the water-holding capacity that it brings to the soil is of value to it. In soils already overrich in organic matter and inclined to retain moisture too much and these are soils where decomposition is likely to take place, another question will be pressed. Again, fermentation, unless carefully conducted, will result in loss of the nitrogen or ammonia of manure. It may be said that gardeners who seek to produce very early crops generally advocate the fermentation of manure, because it will give an earlier start, through its larger amount of available nutritive or soluble materials and because the manure can be spread much more evenly and become mingled with the soil very much more thoroughly.

The Garden in Winter.

It is not too early to be laying plans for next season's garden. Indeed some of our readers must soon be sowing seed out of doors would they get the best returns from early vegetables, and many will wish soon to be making the hot bed for early plants to be transplanted as soon as weather permits.

The first thing to be done is to decide to have a garden, many never do this; others do it so late that the result is not encouraging for one the following year.

After the decision is made select the best piece of land you have near the house and if it was not manured the past fall draw upon it a good dressing

of the best manure you have. This may be done now.

A long narrow piece will be better than a square one of the same content, nor the vegetables may be planted in long rows and corners of the cultivation done best in turning corners.

As soon as the land is selected plan the planting, and choose such seeds as you need in addition to those already on hand. Send for the catalogues of reliable seedsmen to select your seeds early. Do but little planting with novelties. Except some vegetable that may be a favorite or hobby let the indulgence be moderate.

Have a garden. Plan for it now.

LOOKING TO CANADA.

Japanese Steamers Are Expected to Compete for Transpacific Trade.

According to advices brought by the Empress of India to Victoria, B. C., there is a strong probability that a fourth first-class steamship line will, before many months, connect Victoria with the far East, this being the famous Nippon Yusen Kaisha, of Japan. The proposal to inaugurate an American-Japanese line was hinted at in Mikado-land some months ago, but did not take definite shape until the 30th of November, when the annual meeting of the N. Y. K. was held. There were according to the Yokohama Advertiser, upwards of 1,700 shareholders present—though probably this should be taken to mean 1,700 shares represented—and the report of the directors advising the immediate extension of the "N. Y. K." lines was unanimous, and enthusiastically adopted.

There is a national and patriotic, as well as a commercial, side to the N. Y. K., as will be noted in every line of the extracts here appended from the director's report on extensions.

"It is well known," says this document, "that the extension of the facilities of marine transport is an important factor in the development of the national power, and the extension of Japan's steamship services abroad is a matter of special urgency. The undertaking, however, requires considerable expenditure, and is liable to incur

HEAVY LOSSES.

Its object is to promote the national interests of the Empire, and to secure any personal profits for those concerned, so that they must be prepared to sustain whatever losses may ensue. In Japan the general drift of public opinion is inclined towards the extension of the existing steam services; the protection and it has now arrived at so high a state as to cause me to declare a special dividend of profits on account of the steamers chartered by the Government during the latter war.

Under such a felicitous condition of affairs, the company must be prepared to devote such a portion of profits to the development of the steam services of the Empire, and thus to repay the benefit which has been rendered by the nation to its company. The company is therefore, now prepared to push forward the extension of its business in accordance with the policy adopted long ago, namely, to open many lines to foreign ports, which should be quickly opened in the interests of the Empire, those most urgently calling forth the development of our national resources are lines to Europe, America, and Australia.

The opening of the proposed line to America should not be delayed.

EVEN A DAY.

as it will prove a most important factor time has arrived to undertake that extension, and it will not be long before the proposal is put into effect.

The extension of steam communication is really a public act beyond the power of a private individual or company to carry out. Nevertheless it is the duty of the government to assist in the marine transport business to assist it as far as their financial resources allow. This company has been carrying on such a business under national in the development of the steam services of the Empire, and thus to repay the benefit which has been rendered by the nation to its company.

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ers in the cities and towns of Ontario, and 214 in country places.

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Items of Interest.

Paris is to have an underground electric railroad.

The native dogs of Australia, of Egypt, and of the Persian desert never bark.

Nearly all the chickens in the western parts of French Guinea are perfectly white.

Vodka, a sort of whisky made in Russia, exceeds in alcoholic strength that of any other whisky.

A Brooklyn man cured himself of insomnia by drinking a pint of warm milk or soup just before retiring.

The illuminating power of gas, by a recent invention, is vastly increased. A current of air is forced through the flame.

The Rev. Samuel F. Smith, author of the hymn "America," who died recently in Boston, at the age of 87, understood fifteen languages.

The Bay of Fundy has the highest tide in the world, rises a foot every five minutes, and sometimes attains a height of seventy feet.

"Gripping jaws," a contrivance for holding the bed-clothes on couches occupied by children, or grown people who are restless, are a recent invention.

It is now generally believed that new lakes, canals, etc., become filled with fish by means of birds. The birds, after feeding on fish-spoats elsewhere, alight on these new waters, and drop some of the spawn from their bills.

PURELY CANADIAN NEWS.

INTERESTING ITEMS ABOUT OUR OWN COUNTRY.

Gathered from Various Points from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

Chatham has organized a hockey club.

Walkerville has organized a Social Club.

The box factory at Midland is being rebuilt.

Petite Côte, P. O., Quebec, has been incorporated.

Peterboro' will soon have a curling pond.

The G.T.R. shops in London are being re-erected.

Penetanguishie has the largest enclosed rink in America.

A chartered bank is to be established at Alvinston.

A new church at Hampshire has just been dedicated.

An hotel is to be opened at Providence Bay, Manitoulin.

The coloured voters of Hamilton have formed a league.

Butterflies were seen on a farm near Stratford last week.

The new central depot at Ottawa has been formally opened.

Last week 15,000 barrels of apples were shipped to England.

The young ladies of Orillia recently gained a ministerial show.

Hay and straw are very scarce in the northern parts of Ontario.

The annual yield of blueberries in Nova Scotia is worth \$32,000.

The Ailsa Craig branch of the Bank of Commerce has been closed.

Alliston publishes the names of its citizens who have paid dog taxes.

An attempt was recently made to burn Johnson's flour mills at Dresden.

In two days last week the River Thames rose ten feet at Chatham.

An electric line will soon be built to the top of the mountain at Montreal.

A live rabbit from England recently passed through the customs at London.

The C. P. R. prohibits the posting of advertisements on the sides of its cars.

Great quantities of timber are being taken out of the swamp at Bass Lake.

The old Methodist church at Hawkestone is being converted into a residence.

Young coloured men of Chatham have organized "The Maple Leaf Club."

A Catholic cathedral, costing \$100,000, is to be built at Charlottetown, P.E.I.

An American company has put 850 men at work at the Beaconsfield, Quebec mines.

A new bridge between North Orihill and Matchedash has just been completed.

When Ailsa Craig wanted a primary teacher 75 applicants sent in their names.

The Church of England will establish an hospital for Indians in St. Peter's reserve.

An immense quantity of cordwood is being hauled into Seaford, and prices are very low.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Oldershaw, Chatham, recently celebrated their golden wedding.

At Hampton, N.B., a man was fined \$50 and sent to jail for violating the Scott Act.

A tame deer last week attacked a woman on the streets of Orillia and badly injured her.

The Quebec Legislature has repealed the charter of the Quebec Ship Labourers' Association.

George Gibb, of Ellice, while cleaning a loaded gun, had the ramrod blown clear through his hand.

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MY WEALTH.

Gold! gold! have I, a goodly share, You laugh and, doubting, ask me where— Unbraid my little daughter's hair.

Twin sapphires of a wondrous size— Just look within her shining eyes.

Two shells have I, of pink, pink pearl, Pale as the shell that would unfurl—

The pretty ears of my wee girl.

Two bands of ivory, dazzling white,

All I possess environ quite— Her dimpled arms clasped round me tight.

Drawing the Line.

Laidly (trying to start the conversation)—Are you fond of the antique, Mr. Slim?

New Boarder (suspiciously)—Um-er-not at table.

Encouraging.

Mrs. Vancock (to new servant)—I shall give you \$20 a month, and when you break any dishes I will take the cost of them out of your pay.

Bridge. Olone—Sure you'll have to give me more than that, mum, if you're going to do that.

Hawkins. All you need to say is that.

Unnecessary Accomplishment.

Wonderfully active old fellow, that.

He's a bit of a joker, but he could kick himself in the back. I couldn't do that—and I'm not half his age.

You needn't to say Hawkins. All

most anybody would be glad to do it for

Drawing.

Why does he follow her so with his eyes?

I believe he has some difficulty with his feet.

THE TURKS' GREEN BANNER.

When Unfurled in Constantinople It Will Mean a Holy War.

As the interests of the Christian portion of the universe are now centered in an effort to relieve the distress of people of Armenia, an Asiatic province of the Turkish Empire, and as rumors have been current that the troops of the Sultan are now concentrating in that province for the ostensible purpose of putting down an incipient rebellion of the miserable people have displayed the "green banner," which means a "holy war," it will be of interest to trace as far as possible the origin and meaning of a "jejad" or "holy war."

It is understood to be a Mohammedan doctrine that jejad, or holy war, can only be proclaimed by the Sheik-ul-Islam, the religious deputy of the Sultan himself. The proclamation is performed by unfolding the sanjakshir, or flag of the prophet, which is made of green silk with a crescent at the top of the staff, to which is attached a horsehair plume. This flag is deposited in the Mosque of St. Sophia, at Constantinople.

When the flag was changed from the red of Amurath III. to the green of the Sultan, the original flag of the prophet was taken away.

It is not, however, the original flag of the prophet that is used, but a copy of it.

The unfurling of the green flag among the Turkish soldiery, if there be truth in the report, may not be from the orders of the Sultan, as there is a large element of the Mohammedans, who do not recognize the legitimacy of the claim of the Ottoman Turks to the caliphate, and would not wait for the orders of the ruler if they are anxious for a jejad against the hated Christians.

If the Sultan should attempt, or if any other Moslem ruler, independent of his orders inaugurate a holy war, it becomes the duty of every Christian nation to take prompt action in the protection of the helpless people that will be exposed to every kind of outrage that the devilish ingenuity of the Moslem religion can devise.

Personal interests and aggrandizement should be promptly laid aside in the cause of humanity.

CYCLONE OF SWALLOWS.

A vessel Bees by myriads of Migrating Birds.

A Russian steamer, hailing from Odessa, has for some time been engaged in the Mediterranean trade, principally carrying passengers between Leghorn and Malaga. On one of the recent trips it encountered an adventure which will never be forgotten by either the crew or the passengers.

The passage had been a stormy one, but the weather was the reverse of the usual, the sea being calm and the wind blowing steadily.

At noon the ship was struck by a violent squall, the wind being very strong and the sea very rough.

At 1 P.M. the ship was struck by a second violent squall, the wind being very strong and the sea very rough.

At 2 P.M. the ship was struck by a third violent squall, the wind being very strong and the sea very rough.

At 3 P.M. the ship was struck by a fourth violent squall, the wind being very strong and the sea very rough.

At 4 P.M. the ship was struck by a fifth violent squall, the wind being very strong and the sea very rough.

At 5 P.M. the ship was struck by a sixth violent squall, the wind being very strong and the sea very rough.

At 6 P.M. the ship was struck by a seventh violent squall, the wind being very strong and the sea very rough.

At 7 P.M. the ship was struck by a eighth violent squall, the wind being very strong and the sea very rough.

At 8 P.M. the ship was struck by a ninth violent squall, the wind being very strong and the sea very rough.

At 9 P.M. the ship was struck by a tenth violent squall, the wind being very strong and the sea very rough.

SOME QUEER WEDDINGS.

FUNNY INCIDENTS THAT HAVE OCCURRED AT SOME MARRIAGES.

What a New York Divine Has to Tell of the Humours and Hi-Humour of Marriages — Some Good Stories.

A retired judge, who had long been accustomed to confront convicted criminals and pronounce upon them the extreme penalty of violated law, was one called upon to marry a couple who unexpectedly entered his quiet and cozy home office and bashfully asked him to "spice" them. Hurriedly repeating a formula which he extemporized for the occasion, his judicial mentality was markedly evident in closing the ceremony with these words:—"I now pronounce you man and wife, and may God have mercy upon your souls." This and these other stories of strange happenings at weddings are told by Rev. William H. Luckenback, of New York.

Ministers are often brought into situations or unexpected circumstances requiring a little cool judgment and tact to avoid the unpleasant feeling and appearance of embarrassment, or any manifestation of their quick sense of the ludicrous.

OH HOW AWKWARD.

The young bride stumbled, and the groom as he caught her murmured gruffly, "Oh, how awkward!"

It was but a short walk from its doorway up through the centre aisle to the chancel of the church, but the bride, moving leisurely towards it with her ill-gained escort, was looking far beyond chancel and officiating priest and decorative garlands. The train of thought which her betrothed had occasioned by his tart rebuke, "Oh, how awkward, awkward!" extended far into the future. If he could thus ruthlessly injure a true woman's feelings in the most blissful hour of her life, what would probably be his treatment of her after marriage?

Her mind was made up before she reached the chancel railing. She stood there without a tremor. She heard the officiating clergyman ask the bridegroom, "Will thou have this woman to be thy wedded wife, to live together after God's ordinance, in the holy state of matrimony?" etc. She heard him answer in a voice that seemed to her as lacking the tone of decision, "I will."

Then came the supreme test of her heroism. The clergyman had scarcely ended his repetition of the question, "Will thou have this man to be thy wedded husband?" when she had swerved, distantly and clearly enough to be heard by all the guests occupying the pews nearest the chancel, "No, sir!" At the same moment withdrawing her gloved hand from the arm of her discarded lover, she stood directly facing him, and with many a look of triumph, with some clearness and distinctness, exclaimed: "Gh, how awkward, awkward!" Can the reader blame her for thus avoiding what in all probability would have become to her a wretched married life, if she, too, had answered the minister, "I will?"

A CROOKED TRANSLATION.

A merry company once went to the parsonage of a German minister to witness the marriage of two of their friends. The reverend Teuton having learned that his young people were becoming more Anglicized, he had arranged for a marriage in the German tongue and, having missed several wedding fees because he had declined to use an English formula, undertook a translation of his German service into English. In the German text occurred the sentence, "and their twain shall be one flesh."

The English of his translated order for the solemnization of matrimony was very acceptable to and easily understood by the lovers who were being married. When he reached the Scripture quotation which he gravely recited, "and their twain shall be one flesh," the company left the parsonage in a merrier mood than when they entered it, and the puzzled pastor soon afterwards retired for the night, resolved to learn what it was in the English tongue that made it so amusing.

A PRACTICAL JOKE.

I was once innocently made a party to an amateurish, but most marriage episode. There was a millionaire, established in the place, run by several jilt spinsters whose chances for matrimonial alliances had been growing less and less for many years. It was, familiarly known in my congregation as "The Shop," and it had become a rendezvous for the young people who frequently happened in to exchange idle gossips and to enjoy the innocent gossip that constitutes much of the pleasure of intimate acquaintance.

There entered the "shop" one evening a woman who would have been offended if we had called her "young," and of whom we did not have the truth till we had said that she was "young." But going forward laughingly towards Amelia, one of the spinsters, she exclaimed, in a jocosely despairing tone:

"I am so tired of waiting for an offer of marriage that I'll marry the first man that comes along and offers his hand."

"Good for you, Annie," said Amelia, "who knows but that we may see a wedding here this evening!"

Several others had dropped in meanwhile to enjoy the cheeriness of the "shop." It so happened that among them there came five young men who, Annie had several times learned to her infinite chagrin, was as witty a practical joker as her mother. Their greetings had scarcely passed among the group of merry companions before Amelia claimed, in a tone and manner that at once quieted the salutations of the moment:

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Lifting his hat gracefully, and looking at Annie without a blush, apparently unashamed by the unexpected challenge, he answered:

"I am at your disposal, Annie; but how would I suit you?"

"Very good," said Annie, "send for the minister and we'll be married right here on the spot."

It was not long after that my door bell rang. Responding to the ring, I found there were the five of the spinsters, who had sent for me to come down to the "shop" to marry a couple who were looking for a minister.

BOTH PARTIES WERE GLAD.

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A WONDROUS CHANGE.

The Story of a Young Lady in Smith's Falls.

Her Health Was Badly Shattered—Suffered From a Bad Cold and Constant Pain in the Side—Pale and Almost Bloodless—Her Health Again Restored.

From the Smith's Falls Daily.

You know that if I had not begun taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, I would not have lived much longer." These words were uttered by Miss Mossop, this town, and a young lady extremely popular among her friends and acquaintance. Miss Mossop had been ailing for several years, and her recuperation to health is the result of general rejoicing among her friends. So a reporter she gave her story as follows:

"I scarcely know how my illness began. The first symptom was a feeling of tiredness upon the slightest exertion. The color left my face, and I became as pale as death. Then I began to attack with a pain in my left side, and coughed much longer. At first home remedies were tried, but as they did not do any good a doctor was called in, and I was under his care for about a year. But the treatment did not do me any good, and I was steadily growing weak and weaker. I was unable to go upstairs without having to sit down, and rest when I got there, and the pain in my side became more and more intense. I kept wasting away and lost all interest in life, and at last was so low that recovery was not expected. At this time I was charged Lavery with delivering five letters and he was fined twenty dollars for the first letter and five dollars for the other four.

The inspector says that the Post Office Department is going to prosecute all infringements on their privilege to deliver mail, and he also says that a large number of the most prominent business houses in Montreal have been violating the law ever since the postage was raised.

Speaking of this law, a prominent police court official said that every day letters from Montreal were delivered to messengers and he wanted to know where the line should be drawn. Still the simple fact exists that if one man asks another to kindly oblige him by delivering a letter to some house on his way home, the obliging friend lays himself liable to a fine of twenty dollars, which in these hard times is a stern test of friendship.

LONDON'S POLICE SYSTEM.

The Amount of Territory and Property Guarded in the Great City.

Police statistics, comparatively considered, are generally interesting. London is a big town, and a hard one. Items from her Police Commissioners' latest report are worthy attention. The London force numbers 13,497, all told; it has to look after more than 6,000,000 of people, patrol 688 square miles, and guard £38,000,000 of ratable property alone. The actual property under their care is beyond the powers of computation. It says much for their increased efficiency that the averages of offences against property should have sunk during the last ten years from nearly five per 1,000 of the population to very little more than three. Criminal offences of all kinds show a like diminution; while cases of larceny have increased, undoubtedly, from more than thirteen, seven of which were due to insanity. The introduction of the anthropometrical system has greatly facilitated the identification of criminals. The London authorities were a long time in discovering the marks of Mr. Bertillon's system, but they have adopted it, and the results are most satisfactory. The company left the parsonage in a merrier mood than when they entered it, and the puzzled pastor soon afterwards retired for the night, resolved to learn what it was in the English tongue that made it so amusing.

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An Obstructionist.

Why have you dressed your hair so high, Maud?

So I can take off my hat at the theater.

Could not go up Stairs Without Resting, due to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and this prompted a trial of them. The results were encouraging.

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Reports have been received of a terrible massacre of Armenians at Orahovac in which two thousand Christians were killed.

The Domestic Burglars.

Stimpson lost twenty dollars last night after his supper with the boys. How did it happen?

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The Emperor of Germany and Prince Frederick Leopold have quarreled over Prince Frederick's treatment of his wife.

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Lady Lawyer—What are those papers you wish me to examine?

New Woman—They are the breach of promise cases I expect to have served on me this leap year.

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Involuntary Confession.

He—Don't you think Flynn's conversation smacks of egotism?

She (thoughtlessly)—I have noticed the snarks.

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Three large bodies of Cubans are advancing upon Havana and the city will soon be in a state of siege.

SHERIFF WILKINS FREED.

YEARS OF SLAVERY, AND HOW HE ESCAPED.

Talks About His Deliverer Daily in Gratiot—Gains Fifteen Pounds in Weight Since His Escape.

URBINA, Ohio.—(Special)—This town is greatly exercised over the remarkable rescue of Sheriff R.P. Wilkins from one of the worst forms of slavery known to man. He had now fully recovered from his long period of physical torture, and talks freely and gratefully of his deliverance. In an interview to-day he said: "I have been a perfect slave to tobacco for over twenty-five years; I smoked from twelve to fifteen cigars a day. November 4th, last, I bought my first box of No-To-Bac, and to my great surprise, after using part of the third box, I was completely cured and did not have the least desire for tobacco. To-day I feel better, I sleep better, think better, and have gained fifteen pounds in weight, and there is not a day passes that I do not smoke a cigar. I have given up the use of tobacco to the public welfare of the country."

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A PERFECTLY HOPELESS CASE.

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President Cleveland has signed the proclamation making Utah a State.

UNSANITARY WALL COATINGS CONDEMNED BY THE BIBLE.

"And behold if the plague be in the walls of the house with hollow stalks, greenish or reddish, then the priest shall go out of the house to the door of the house, and shut up the house for seven days. And he shall call unto the priest to be seared within round about, and they shall pour out the dust that they sweep off without the city into an unclean place."

To each of the first three persons in every city and town in the Dominion of Canada who write The Alabastine Co., Limited, of Paris, Ont., giving the chapter containing the above passage of scripture, will be sent an order on the Alabastine dealer in the town for a package of Alabastine, enough to cover 50 square yards of wall, two coats, tinted or white. To all who apply, giving us the name of the paper in which they saw this notice, will be given an ingenious receipt for the solving of which may earn you \$100.

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PREFERENTIAL TRADE.

Trade, like everything else, follows the line of least resistance. It would be well if people could remember this. We should then hear less of protective or preferential tariffs, of bonuses, and of the many other proposals to bolster or stimulate any particular industry. All trade wants is to be let alone so that it may run in its natural channels and if Legislatures will simply not interfere with the ordinary state of affairs, the better it will be for the Legislatures and the better for the people. This view of the situation is strongly emphasised by the latest news from England, which gives us the views of two eminent practical agriculturalists—Lord Vernon and the Earl of Winchilsea. While Canadian politicians are talking about a preferential trade with England, so as to open a market for Canadian produce, these two authorities are complaining that England imports a vast amount of agricultural produce that ought to be reared at home. The Earl of Winchilsea pointed out that foreign produce to the amount of £147,000,000 was now imported into England, the greater part of which might be produced there. The remarks of the two noblemen referred chiefly to dairy produce, and Lord Vernon pointed out that the reason was because the English farmers have greater expenses to meet than those in other countries, such as rent and expensive labor. He believes that the remedy lies in the multiplication of small holdings, and the co-operation of creameries and cheese factories. That is to say, he would fight the Canadian farmer with his own weapons. Lord Winchilsea, on the other hand, thinks that the Canadian farmer ought to drive the continental farmer out of the British market. Canadian poultry, he says, is now offered for sale in the English market, and he sees no reason why eggs should not also be there, providing it is important to remember that England cannot provide an adequate supply herself. There is the vexation of the whole question. The market of England is open to everybody, but in that market England is herself a competitor. At present Canadian butter and cheese is offered at a less price than the British product, which have also the disadvantage of not possessing that uniformity of quality which distinguishes creamery butter and factory cheese. The two agriculturalists quoted advocate that England should also adopt the creamery and factory system and so possess herself of the same advantage that Canada enjoys. The moral of all this is that if Canada hopes to secure the English market it must be by a constant and regular supply of produce of a good quality, such as is produced at the Moose Jaw creamery, at lower rates than the same can be produced in England, and not by grants from Ottawa or by preferential tariff, or bonuses, or any of the fantastical arrangements that are so often dangled before the eyes of our farmers, especially at election times.

THOSE FREE PASSES.

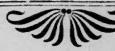
There has been some light and airy discussion in the House of Commons about the granting of free passes by the C.P.R. to members of parliament, while the members at the same time charge the country for the mileage of their journeys, as the law allows them to do. Or rather vice versa, our honorable members charge for mileage although they receive free passes from the C.P.R. There did not seem to be much heart or sincerity in the debate, which discovered more of trivialities than business. There is, however, an important principle underlying the whole thing. It is not right or proper that men should charge travelling expenses they do not incur, simply because they are members of parliament, and not ordinary mortals. We do not suppose there is a member of parliament at Ottawa, who would not dismiss from his service an employee who did such a thing, and there is not a member amongst them who would himself do such a thing if it were not that the purse dipped into is the people's purse. The public has neither a soul to be damned nor a body to be kicked and therefore as regards it persons can sin with impunity. It has, however, a purpose to be picked, and our legislators seem to think that Heaven helps people in the proportion that they help themselves out of it. It may be quite true that none of our legislators are or can be influenced by the obligation to the C.P.R. under which they allow themselves to be placed. Nevertheless the favor received is no trifling sum in some instances the gift amounts to \$600 or \$700 a year.

We cannot say that Mr. Davin improved matters by the defence he made of the custom. The hon. member for West Assiniboia said he considered our legislators were underpaid, and therefore had no compunction in charging for an expenditure that was irregular as a sort of compensation for the deficiency. It seems to us that Mr. Davin "gave himself away" by this reasoning; because it means, if it means anything at all, that after all our legislators are and must be influenced by the gratuities so lavishly bestowed upon them by the railroads. The gift is equivalent, according to Mr. Davin, to an increase of the sessional allowance, and the railroads would hardly advance the salaries of all our legislators unless they knew very well they would receive some benefit in return. Altogether it is undignified of our M.P.'s to charge upon the public purse moneys they have never expended. If the sessional allowance be insufficient, by all means increase it, but do not let it be said that representatives to the Dominion House of Parliament are so poorly paid that they have to accept favors from a railway company.

WEST ASSINIBOIA REPRESENTATION.

There is every probability of a three-cornered fight in West Assiniboia at the coming election. Mr. Davin says he is not going to be Lieut. Governor, that he is not to be a Cabinet Minister, but that he will be a candidate in his old constituency—three statements, all of which it is easy to believe. Mr. McInnis is equally emphatic in his declaration, that he will not swerve from his position as the adopted candidate of the Patrons of Industry; while at the meeting in Regina last week of the local Reform Association, the initial steps were taken for the holding of a convention to select a Liberal candidate in the place of Mr. Hitchcock who declines to go to nomination. The organizations of the different parties, however, are all in a sort of dilemma. The government has declared its intention of changing the constituency of West Assiniboia, and should they do this there will have to be other conventions in each one of the new electoral districts, and it cannot possibly be declared at present which one of the conventions will elect Mr. Davin, Mr. McInnis, or a Liberal candidate, when one has been found. Perhaps, however, add it is most likely, Parliament will not have time to effect the proposed changes. It is not improbable that an election is close at hand. Should a dissolution be sprung upon us then the Conservatives and Patrons have an advantage over the Liberals, because they each have their candidate ready; while the

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Liberals have yet theirs to find, and unless they get a move on they may find themselves left in the lurch, doubtless however they are awake to the situation and there may be developments in a few days that will show we are going to have lively times of it when the election comes along.

The March *Delineator*, Spring number, is especially interesting because of the early forecast it contains of spring and summer styles and materials for ladies, misses and children. The first of a series of articles on current events of interest to women, by Mrs. Frederic Rhinelander Jones, appears in this number. Mrs. Oliver Bell Bunne contributes an instructive article on perfumes and other toilet preparations; Lucia Gilbert Rankle brings to the discussion of Literature as a Profession for Women the authority of acknowledged celebrity as a writer, while Tally Roomy Little has a bright and helpful description of some new and pretty luncheon and German favors in silk and other materials. "Mamduff," an amusing and pathetic dialect sketch of southern life, introduces a new writer to the readers of this magazine. Subscription price of *The Delineator* \$1.00 per year. Address, 33 Richmond St., West, Toronto.

Anything about snow and cold and the North Pole, has an interest for dwellers on the prairie. Mr. Trevor-Battye, who is supposed to know all about the Arctic regions, has been lecturing to the Royal Geographical Society, of England, on "Life in the North Polar Regions." He describes the country therabouts as a veritable land flowing with milk and honey, or at any rate something quite as good. "Life in the summer," he says, "is most exuberant." Birds are as clamorous as in the south. The brant goose, the grey goose, the sauntering widgeon, plover and a host of other sorts are numerous and have finer plumage than in other lands. There are splendid flowers, from the humble buttercup to the lovely decorations of an English meadow. There are the arctic hare, bear, musk-ox, ermine and many other animals. Altogether Mr. Trevor-Battye draws such a pleasant picture of the North Pole, that one does not care how soon Dr. Nansen comes back and tells us where it is, so that it may be thrown open for settlement, and perhaps divert a portion of the rush to Kootenay that is to take place in the coming spring.

Boharm Jottings.

BOHARM, Feb. 27th, 1896.—A large meeting was held in the Pioneer school a short time ago; called for the purpose of electing an overseer for Sea. 17, Tp. 27 as a fire and statute labor district. About three hours were occupied in discussing the matter when it was decided to instruct Mr. Ben. Smith to write to our member for a copy of the Weed Ordinance; and a meeting was announced for Feb. 15th. At the meeting lively discussion took place. It was decided to appoint an Inspector and petition the Lieutenant-Governor to accept the appointment. The person appointed was Mr. B. Green.

There was a large attendance at a Presbyterian gathering at S. K. Rathwell's, on the evening of the 19th inst. On returning home the team of Mr. A. Wilson ran away and upset the sleigh. Fortunately there was no one hurt.

The Rev. Mr. Ferrier delivered a grand lecture in Wesley church, on Monday, the 22nd inst.

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THE COMET.

Has Dr. Nansen Found It?

When the great comet of 1456 shone brilliantly in the heavens, the Christians of Europe added to the Ave Maria, "Lord save us from the devil, the Turk and the comet." No such dread as caused this prayer is created now by the glimpses we occasionally have of the beautiful but erratic visitors from the unknown regions of the universe. Science has not yet taught very much about comets, but it has taught sufficient to assure us that the shining wanderers need not cause alarm to the wise, or conjure up the fears of the superstitious and the ignorant. It is not unlikely, the astronomers tell us, that the comet now visible in the heavens may strike the earth. Should it do so, what then?

When a parliamentary committee was enquiring as to whether or not railways should be allowed in England, Robert Stevenson was asked what would happen at a collision of a locomotive with a comet. The great engineer in his honest south replied, "It would be very bad for the locomotive." It would be much the same if there were a collision of a comet with the earth. I would be very bad—for the comet.

The little we know of such bodies as the one that now dangles in the midnight sky is confined to their appearance as seen through a telescope, their constitution as revealed by the spectroscopes, and the peculiar curves of the orbits they make in their long journeys in the realms of space. The last is computed from the "elements" of the orbit, data identical in principle, though obviously different in detail, to the longitude, latitude and other co-ordinates used at sea; a branch of the subject too complicated to be treated here. What, too, we actually see of a comet through even the most powerful telescope gives us very little information. All comets show a nucleus or head, more or less brilliant, surrounded by a nebula generally, though not always, extended in one direction, so as to form a tail. (Hence the name, from the Greek, *kome*, a hair.) What the nucleus is and of what the tail consists are mysteries. The spectroscope tells us little beyond the facts that the nucleus of a comet shines with its own light, like the sun and the fixed stars; while the tail shines with a reflected light like the moon and the planets. The tail, however, is known to be of great rarity. No gas that is known is so thin or flimsy as a comet's tail, which, though thousands and even millions of millions of miles thick, is yet so transparent that stars can be distinctly seen through it. The prevailing opinion, based on reasons too elaborate to be detailed here, is that the tail is the vapor thrown off from the head of the comet caused by the heat it encounters by its approach to the sun; and it is very likely, too, that there is an electrical repulsion which drives the tail away from the head; for it must be remembered that the comet's head does not drag the tail behind it as in one part of the comet's career it goes along tail foremost.

It is the light airy nature of comets that renders them perfectly harmless. Weight is merely the tendency of a body to fall, and this tendency is easily measured. We thus know the weight of all bodies in the solar system except that of comets. No comet has been found sufficiently heavy to be weighed. The millions of miles in length, in breadth, and in thickness of a comet's tail are formed of so rare a substance that it does not weigh many ounces, and a comet altogether does not weigh many pounds. In 1868 the earth went right through the tail of a comet, and yet nothing very remarkable was observed, and if a comet were to strike the earth the only effect would be a catastrophe confined to the locality of the impingement.

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The most recent and at the same time most remarkable discovery that has been made in reference to comets is their connection with meteors and shooting stars. These bodies come within the earth's atmosphere and occasionally even fall upon the earth. There are specimens of these in nearly all public museums. One of the most remarkable features connected with shooting stars is their periodic recurrence as star showers, as in November, '72. Now it has been noticed as a remarkable fact that whenever the earth passes over the orbit of Biela's comet, there is always at the particular point of passage a shower of stars; and what is more remarkable still is that when Biela's comet did not appear in 1872, as was predicted, there was instead an extraordinary shower of shooting stars. It seems, therefore, that there is some connection between the erratic and beautiful comets, and the equally erratic and no less beautiful meteoric showers. What that connection is remains a mystery, though many philosophers imagine that the two phenomena are different manifestations of the same thing. The great fact is that in every direction these imposing, brilliant, though feathered wanderers, travel swiftly and silently in a path that is one of a everlasting shower of stars, raining like diamond dust and falling no one knows where, probably gyrating about a certain point, traveling in a fixed orbit.

In is seen then that whatever comets may be there is no danger about them. Naturally their magnificent appearance and erratic history have given rise to all sorts of wild theories as to what they are and what is their mission. Sober minds, however, do not give way to such extraordinary speculations. They cherish the little that is known: the filmy nature of the comet, its eccentric motion, its connection with the shooting stars, and they await further discoveries before they hazard theories of its constitution, its nature and its mission.

OTTAWA.

Agricultural Societies in the North-West.

On Wednesday, Feb. 12th, Hon. Mr. Perley rose to

ask the government how many agricultural societies there are now in the North-West Territories; the name and number of members of each society, and also the amount of government money granted to each society?

He said,—The only reason I have for asking this question is that I have received letters from prominent members of the different societies in the North-West claiming that they did not think that they got fair proportion of the money voted for the societies in the North-West, and thought that by asking the question in this way I would get an official answer which would not only satisfy those who asked the question but others who may be interested. That is the only object I had in view.

HON. MR. FERGUSON.—In reply to the hon. gentleman's inquiry I may say there are thirty-nine agricultural societies in the North-West Territories, participating in the government grant, the names and numbers of which, with amount of government money granted to each society in 1895, are as follows:—

Name of Society.	No. of Members.	Amount Granted.
Carrot River District.....	67	\$142.71
Edmonton.....	150	250.00
Central Saskatchewan.....	88	187.44
Wapella.....	151	250.00
Maple Creek.....	73	153.49
Calgary District.....	50	109.50
Fort Saskatchewan.....	88	187.44
Duck Lake.....	76	161.88
Imperial.....	74	157.62
Little Cat Arm and Qu'Appelle.....	63	134.19
Alameda.....	74	157.92
Whitewood.....	81	172.53
Grefell.....	72	153.36
Battle River.....	53	112.89
Edmonton District.....	58	123.54
Gainsborough.....	67	142.71
Lorne.....	82	174.66
East Moose Mountain.....	137	250.00
MacLeod.....	97	206.61
Qu'Appelle.....	117	249.21
Dalhousie.....	98	208.74
Moose Mountain.....	93	202.33
Moose Jaw.....	68	148.84
Sheep Creek.....	63	134.98
Indian Head.....	89	189.57
North-east Assiniboina.....	50	106.50
Madawaska.....	90	191.73
Red Deer.....	76	161.88
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Assiniboina.....	77	164.01
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Prof. Robertson, Dominion Government Commissioner of Agriculture, appeared before the standing committee on agriculture and colonization, of the House of Commons, on Thursday, the 26th ult. when he gave valuable information on the exportation of perishable food products from Canada. The following is a portion of his remarks:

The opinion has prevailed that to market was the chief obstacle to, and absorber of profits. An eminent statesman made the well-known announcement that "the British farmer would always be sufficiently protected against foreign competition by the freight charges which foreign products would have to bear." So much have the transportation facilities in Canada been improved that the total freight charges on cheese from the railway stations in Ontario and Quebec to Liverpool, Bristol, Glasgow and London, did not last year exceed 5 per cent. of the value of the cheese, or 2½ per cent. of the value of the creamery butter. With complete refrigerator service throughout, and the butter bearing the whole expense, the transportation charges to Great Britain from railway stations in Ontario and Quebec need not exceed 4 per cent. of the value of the creamery butter. On an average, the freight charges from railway stations in Ontario and Quebec to the great seaports of Great Britain are not more than 1 or at most 2 per cent. of the value of butter and cheese, higher than the freight charges on similar products from the country railway stations throughout England and Scotland.

Daintiness in flavor is the quality in food products which give them high market value. Butter can be preserved without appreciable deterioration in quality, if put in cold storage chambers at a temperature of 33 or 34 Fahr two days after it is made. Some butter made at the dairy station at Moose Jaw, N.W.T., in June of last year, and held in even imperfect cold storage for the first part of the season, was sold in Manchester in January of the current year, on its merits, for within 2½ per lb. of finest Danish butter, and within 10 lb. of choice colonial fresh-made. What the British public want is fresh flavored butter and fine flavored foods. Cold storage service preserves these from being spoiled during transit or while waiting for a favorable market.

WHEAT.

Latest Reports on Wheat by the Commercial.

The time is now here when Manitoba farmers generally market wheat more freely, the desire being to market the grain before the beginning of spring work. Five or six days of very mild weather caused a break up in the roads this week, but it is more wintry again and we may have a spell of good weather yet for marketing grain, before the final break up, though more snow is needed in some districts. Threshing which was stopped last December, has been resumed again, and as quite a quantity of grain has been held in stack over winter in some districts, fine weather for threshing is desirable as well as good roads for marketing. There has been a considerable movement of rail wheat eastward. Montreal is now about filled up with Manitoba wheat, or space not filled is engaged and shipments of Manitoba wheat are now being made via Prescott and New York, all rail. Receipts at Fort William for the week ended Feb. 22, were 100,142 bushels; shipments 133,704 bushels; in store 3,595,108 bushels.

Stocks in store a year ago were 892,499 and two years ago 2,071,000 bushels. Stocks of Manitoba wheat at lake ports and interior points here aggregate well up to 700,000,000 bushels as compared with about 3,000,000 bushels a year ago. This has been one of the dullest weeks of the winter in Manitoba country markets, owing to the bad roads. Prices have been irregular. On Thursday prices to farmers were advanced, principally by millers, to 50¢ per bushel for No. 1 hard, at 18¢ freight rate points to Fort William, but there is considerable irregularity in prices paid at different points. Not much business in round lots. No. 1 hard, cash, Fort William delivery, has ranged during the week at from 63 to 65¢. No. 1 northern sold yesterday at 65¢, but this was an extreme price. A telegram to Mr. Harris yesterday, reported sale at Toronto of 20,000 bushels No. 1 hard, Fort William, May, at 67¢.

Massey's Magazine.

The February number of Massey's Magazine is a good one. The contents cover a wide field including literature, travel etc. The number contains one or two well written stories, and also well written descriptions, with illustrations, of the Transvaal and Venezuela. Sales of this last number total to twenty-one thousand copies.



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The Cruise of the Punjab.

Sir Charles M. Kennedy, in an address on "Diplomacy and International Law," at University College, Bristol, last autumn, used the following language which has special significance at the present time: "International law existed as a necessary consequence of the existence in the world of separate states holding intercourse with each other. The form which it had assumed, derived from the consent of nations, was no less a necessary consequence of the past history of the world. Its evidences were found in recognized rules, maxims, principles and usages, in official documents, and in the writings of publicists. Its authority was enforced by moral no less than by physical sanctions that had been approved by precedent and confirmed by time. The ends for which international law had been accepted among states were national security, the advancement of civilization, the extension of commerce and intercourse between nations, the preservation of peace, the mitigation of war, and the repression of violence and wrongdoing. It rested on public opinion. It applied to new questions principles deduced from past events. It progressed like all other law; and like all other law, had a foundation much deeper than mere usage. The greater regularity which now characterized international transactions, and the greater respect now paid to international duties and obligations, formed bright incidents in this century's closing years. We must, however, be satisfied with cautious measures. Nations realized the little permanent value of undue pressure or advantage; they no longer rushed into war on trivial provocation or for small issues. While acknowledging fully benefits conferred by enlightened public opinion and rulers, we must not leave out of sight the consequences of deliberate policy, of gusts of popular passion, or of rashness and incapacity, which had repeatedly led to war, and might do so again. The first Napoleon regarded incapacity (imbecility) as the most dangerous factor in human affairs—the only motive power with which it was not possible to reckon."

Dr. Bernardo, the apostle of the slums, who as a result of once interesting himself in the case of a single homeless lad was led to found a colony of outcasts, was presented recently in Exeter Hall, London, with an illuminated address and a check for £3,17. Lord Kinnaid presided, and tendered these testimonials on behalf of friends of the institutions Dr. Bernardo has founded. The magnitude of this charitable work appears from the fact that the public subscriptions one time or another made to it have now reached a total of nearly eight and a half million dollars. About five thousand rescued waifs are being cared for in the eighty-four Bernardo Homes. The boys are carefully taught in fourteen different handicrafts, while the girls are brought up in cottage life to domestic service. Some seven hundred children are every year sent to Canada and the colonies, where the 8,044 immigrants over ninety-eight per cent are claimed, have turned out satisfactorily. The cost of maintaining the small army of children now in the Bernardo institutions is \$700 a day for food alone.

COST OF ENGLAND'S WARS.

What the British Have Had to Pay for Their Fighting of Two Centuries.

In the wars of the present and of the previous century England has expended \$8,000,000,000. Almost incessantly since 1700 England has been prosecuting war and paying the cost of it, either in alliance with other European nations or against barbarous or semi-civilized nations single handed.

The first of the wars in which England engaged in the eighteenth century was against the French, England having as its allies Holland, Prussia, Hanover, and Portugal. It culminated in the Treaty of Utrecht in 1713, after an expenditure (relatively much larger in those days) of \$900,000,000.

The English war against the Canadian colonists, who were favorable to the French, followed at a cost of \$300,000,000, and then followed the war against the American colonists south of the Can in harbor in—the Revolutionary war. The cost to England of the Revolutionary war is given in the official figures of the English War Office at \$800,000,000.

The closing years of the eighteenth century and the early years of the nineteenth century were years of strife and war in which England took an active part, but never single handed. Her first alliance was with Russia, Prussia, Sardinia, Portugal, Italy, and the minor German States against France. That was in 1783. The next alliance six years later, included the same countries, with Italy, Naples, the Barberini States, and Austria in addition to England. The combination of European nations of which England was a part in 1805 included England, Russia, Austria, Sweden and Naples. In 1809 England and Austria combined against France, Turkey, and Sardinia as its allies, and England and Austria in 1813 all the great powers of Europe except France were combined against Napoleon in what was known afterward as "the seventh coalition."

While these wars were in progress in Europe, England carried on other wars, particularly against the United States (the war of 1812), and in India and during the rebellion beginning in 1793 and ending in 1813, the total cost expended was \$4,000,000,000. Such was the debt of England at the close of the last war with the United States, but it has been greatly reduced since. The Crimean war in which England engaged against Russia with France, Turkey, and Sardinia as its allies, cost England and Sardinia \$3,000,000, and consequent wars and encounters in India in Southern Africa, where the Boers proved a sturdy foe, and Egypt elsewhere have entailed considerable cost upon the English Treasury, but very little more than the expense of fighting with civilized soldiers in well-equipped armaments. The present debt of England, exclusive of the debt of English dependencies, which is \$20,000,000, is three billion three hundred million dollars.

The forenoon dhow struck her sails, and the Bois or Arab skipper invited the

captain to send a boat on board; but he was too wary a hand. His experienced eye noted the crowd of men on board her, the number of whom he then gave to the best of their ability. Captain Dallas had heard of cold shot being thrown into boats as they ran alongside, and had no intention of having one of his stoves in and risking the lives of his crew. He ordered his starboard broadside to be fired, and bade his men fire to men to fire at the rigging, so as not to injure the wretched slaves, he gave the word to fire, and had the satisfaction of seeing the dhow's foremost go by the board. The slaves now threw overboard their arms and answered with four long guns which had been loaded. The forenoon dhow was sunk.

The other dhow rapidly closed in, with the intention of encircling the Punjab, each opening fire as it came within range. The cruiser, however, now had her steam up; and by skilful handling of his vessel and good gunnery, Captain Dallas had driven off the inferior dhow. The other dhow had suffered sufficient damage on the rigging of the slaves as effectually to prevent their getting away until he should be able instead of risking his boats, to get alongside each in turn, compel it to surrender and free the slaves. Indeed, he was not a little surprised at their show of fight at all, as it was evident for craft of that class to do that they could possibly help it. By separating, most of them at least could have got away in different directions.

The mystery, however, was soon to be solved, for a large barque shot from behind the headland of the coast. Telegraph examination quickly showed that she answered the description of the vessel they were to search for, that she flew the Portuguese flag, carried far too many men for any peaceful trader, and was indeed more heavily armed than the Punjab.

She meant fighting, too, for, as the captain of the Punjab's ensign was lowered and the two ships were run up, revealing her true character.

Captain Dallas at once left the crippled dhow, knowing they could not repair damages and get away for some time, and moved to meet his new antagonist.

The ship's company, sailors, Lascars, and native marines, numbered after their several manners as they neared the foe. The pirates fired a broadside as they approached, but too high, the only great damage done being to the funnel, about a foot and a half of the top, which was cut away.

The Punjab returned the fire with more spirit, the eighteen-pounders sending their shot crashing through the enemy's bulwarks, the splinters of which made fearful havoc on her crowded decks; while one from the thirty-two-pounder chaser, which had been steered round so as to bring it to bear, tore right through the stern cabin, knocking two of her ports into one.

As the vessels closed, broadside after broadside was exchanged; and Captain Dallas, seeing that her metal was heavy, determined on boarding. The Punjab steered close alongside the barque, and having gripped her, the first-lieutenant, with two-thirds of the seamen and marines, and the remainder keeping off from about as fierce a set of desperadoes as were ever handed together for purposes of crime. Renegade Portuguese, savage Malays, lithe, cruel-looking Manila men, and Chinese, all alike fighting desperately, for they knew that they had but death before their necks. But there fought a gallant crew, men even yet could stand against British sailors at sea. The Lascars emulated the valour of their shipmates; and as for the men of the Bombay Marine, they were sepoys—that is as much to say as they were born to be their European confine could. Steadily courage and perfect discipline prevailed over mere desperation; and in spite of the wolfish ferocity with which they struggled, the motley crew of the pirate had to give way before the crew of the Punjab.

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It has been our purpose from the commencement of business in Moose Jaw, to add a "SEEDS DEPARTMENT" to our present lines. We have hesitated in making the move, knowing it was fraught with great responsibility and worry. We have determined to make the venture this spring and now have in stock and in transport a very full line of agricultural and garden seeds which will be sold in bulk at growers' prices. The seeds we will stock will be largely those of the well known seedsmen, D. M. Ferry & Co., of Windsor and Detroit, who are by far the largest seed growers and dealers in America and have the most complete plant for handling and testing seeds in the world. In selecting varieties we have been guided by the experience of well known seedsmen in other parts of the Territories, by local gardeners, and by our own observation for the past 12 years. We would be pleased to have orders early and will guarantee to fill them with satisfaction.

W. W. Bole.

The Moose Jaw Times.

FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 1896.

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Mr. F. Statham is to be appointed agent at Milestone.

Mr. Ed. Hunt, C.P.R. operator, has returned to Winnipeg.

Mr. Randall came in on Monday afternoon from Regina by trail.

Mrs. J. C. Hamilton returned from a visit to Ontario on Sunday last.

Mr. A. McCauley is reported to have taken up a homestead at Swift Current.

Mr. W. C. Cooper, representing the Ferguson Co., Ltd., of Winnipeg, was in town yesterday.

We regret to have to announce the death of Mr. John Rathwell, and old resident of Boharm.

It is rumored that Mr. Wm. Henderson will be the Liberal candidate for the forthcoming general elections.

The Grand Association of the Patrons of Industry decided not to open the order to all professions nor to abolish passwords.

We are in receipt of a new illustrated catalogue, issued by the Massey-Harris Co. It is a model of neatness and typographical ingenuity and fully demonstrates the fact that mammoth manufacturers believe in the efficiency of advertising mediums.

On Sunday last Sergt. Green, of Estevan, arrived off Soo train, having in his charge six men who had been committed to a month in Regina jail for vagrancy. It is said that these men (excepting one—a piano tuner) would work if given a chance.

Capt. McKenzie, Provincial Agent of G. B. M. B., Salvation Army, will conduct a magic lantern service on the Life of the Late Mrs. General Booth, in the Methodist church on Saturday evening, March 14. Also on Sunday afternoon he will lecture in the town hall, on the Social Reform Work. In the evening his subject will be "Traps, or Wedded to Hell."

D. W. Bole, of Martin, Bole, Wynne Co., has returned home to Winnipeg from the pine woods of Michigan, whether he went for his health. He spent a few days in Duluth and says the people there are enthusiastic about the expected early competition of the direct line of railway to Winnipeg—the Duluth and Winnipeg road.

At the Lenten Mission service at St. John the Baptist's church on Wednesday instead of the sermon usual on these occasions, the Vicar, Rev. Wm. Watson, delivered an interesting and instructive lecture on the Life of St. Ambrose, the reputed author of the "Te Deum Laudamus," Bishop of Milan in the 4th century, the rebuker of the great Emperor Theodosius for a bloody massacre, and the converter of St. Augustine. Next Wednesday a lecture will be given on the life of the great St. Augustine, the African Bishop.

Mr. Davin did some good talking for the North West in the House yesterday. His speech dealt with the motion to grant \$20,000 in aid of the establishment of creameries in the Territories. He said that members of the House did not try to understand the conditions and situation of the North West. They were not interested in anything but party measures. He pictured the great future of the Territories if they were fairly dealt with, arguing that they were entitled to a much larger sum of money than was now given to them. If they had been treated as Manitoba their progress to day would be different.—*Calgary Herald*, March 5th.

Boharm.

BOHARM, March 5.—The Boharm Literary and Debating Society met on Tuesday for the purpose of re-organization. The meetings in the future will be held weekly and several important subjects will be discussed by some of the leading and the learned at each meeting, while the intervening spaces will be wholly taken up with songs, recitations and readings by the local talent.

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E. N. Hopkins, President of the Dairymen's Association, with his colleague, Wm. Watson, start on their extended trip through the Territories, on Friday, March 6th. Mr. Hopkins will be missed in the literary circle here, but we hope he will be able to make up for his loss time when he returns.

LOOKER ON.

The Medal Contests.

The second of these most entertaining and elevating recitals will take place in the town hall on Tuesday evening next.

Ten boys and girls have been trained by Mr. Nelson, the Superintendent, for the occasion. We have had an opportunity of attending rehearsal and it is indeed surprising to observe how a little training in diction will benefit the young in the "adept actor's art."

The little ones enter right into the spirit of their temperance selection, and their gesture and voice modulation are both well done. They suit the action to the word, at the proper time. An interesting literary, vocal and instrumental programme will be interspersed throughout the entertainment.

Nearly all the local, vocal and instrumental talent will assist in these peaceful worthy and much to be encouraged entertainments from time to time. In the present recital Mr. L E W. Bailey and Mrs. Rollo will sing a duet. Messrs. McCall and Maurice will give a piano duet. The Battell-balls, together with Mr. Joel Bate and J. O. Thompson, will contribute vocal quartette. Mrs. Bogue and Mrs. Neeland will sing. Mr. Nelson will give a comic reading. Miss Marion Stevenson will also give a piano solo, and several others will assist vocally and instrumentally. The Templar Glee Club will sing two choruses, entitled "Voto as You Pray" and "Ring Out the Bells." The Templar orchestra will lend their aid toward making this concert the local event of the season. The merits of the different reciters will be judged by Messrs. T. B. Baker, O. B. Fysh and Seymour Green.

The admission fee is 25 cents.

One on the Georgia Editor.

Here is a story told recently on the editor of a Georgia weekly who hunted up a friend in one of Chicago's sky-scraping buildings when he was on a visit to the World's Fair. He couldn't find his friend's name in the building directory, but one of the elevator boys said he knew where his office was located, so that the Georgian got in the elevator and started up. The higher they went the more he was worried and when the elevator stopped at the twenty-fifth story and he got out he trembled like a leaf. He reached the door of the office finally and knocked timidly.

"Come in," said a soft voice. The Georgian entered and his eyes fell on the most beautiful woman he had ever seen, seated at a typewriter desk. This settled him, and his poor bewildered faculties became more and more disturbed.

"Who do you wish to see?" the young woman asked, with a smile that sent the editor's heart up in his throat.

"Is God in it?" he asked.

"Is God in it?" she queried, in surprise, as her blue eyes opened their widest.

"Yes; you see I—I was—I am up so high I thought he might be, and then seeing an angel too makes me—"

His friend entered at this juncture, but the Georgian had two friends in Chicago after that—one of them was the fair typewriter.

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Boharm.

The writer would like to have the opinions of all progressive farmers in the Moose Jaw district, through the columns of THE TIMES, as to the best means to be used to prevent the snow from blowing off our summer-fallows or ploughed ground. As a rule snowfalls are harrowed down smooth and snow that falls. Now let us hear from you on this subject, as to the best plan to retain a good depth of snow to ensure an early growth in spring. The writer would also make another suggestion and would like to have the opinions of those interested. It is this—Would it be advisable for the farmers of this district, who have more stock than they can readily care for, to form and operate a joint ranching company, with headquarters in some good ranching district to the west of us? It is the opinion of the writer that the above scheme or something similar would be the most profitable way for farmers to raise cattle on a large scale. Comptem men could be engaged to manage the ranch at a less cost than each single person can do it at home, and it would give those an opportunity to go into stock raising who cannot under their present circumstances. Let us hear from you through THE TIMES on this very important subject.

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Buffalo Lake.

BUFFALO LAKE, March 3.—Wheat has touched 50 cents, thanks to the Edmonton buyer.

Geo. Tuxford has got his house safely on its new site. The next thing will be a dance.

Our social is to be held on March 18th, at Huron church. There is a good programme arranged. Everybody come! Don't forget the date—March 18th.

Some Stone Beachies surprised Mr. and Mrs. Gilmore the other night. They had lots of fun.

The snow is nearly all gone both in town and around the lake.

We had our regular Patron meeting on Friday, 28th Feb., but owing to the scant attendance of members much important business was postponed till the next meeting which will be held sometime soon. Nevertheless, there was a lot of interest created owing to the absence of our President, Bro. Fowler, Bro. Hugh Gilmore, Jr., acted in his stead.

I understand that Miss Mary McArthur is home again. We thought we were going to lose her for good. I don't know why it is that our young ladies prefer the town to the beautiful prairie.

We are having much colder weather now; spring has not come after all.

Look here! What is that which goes when a wagon goes, stops when a wagon stops, it is no use to the wagon, yet the wagon can't go without it.

I am told that Mr. de la Hey and family have left the old country, so that they will be in our midst very soon.

Miss Mary Moffat has got the whooping cough, which I hope she will get over safely.

UN FERMIER.

Pioneer.

PIXOZA, Feb. 26.—Owing to the recent rain the stock seems to be enjoying the grass after being closed in so long.

On Thursday last sacrament was administered to John Rathwell, who thought he was at the point of death.

What might have been a very serious accident occurred as Mrs. Alex. Wilson and Miss Olive were returning from the sacramental service on Thursday. Their team became unmanageable and ran away. The tongue of the sleigh came down and as a natural consequence after running into the hard snow, the sleigh stopped suddenly. Fortunately the passengers emerged unscathed, themselves from the sleigh which seemed to give them more force and they seemed to be guided by the doublets in a homeward direction. J. W. Glassford, who was on the scene with his bloods, gave chase, and those who witnessed it declared that it was a beautiful race. James Campbell brought up the rear gathering up the fragments that nothing might be lost. Eventually both horses and their drivers arrived home about the same time. Nothing serious resulted except that Mrs. Wilson is now wearing a black eye.

We want it distinctly understood that Miss Emily Green, the silver medalist, is a resident of Pioneer, notwithstanding anything that Boharm, Moose Jaw, or Regina may say to the contrary.

It is reported that Miss Maggie Eastwood is coming to keep house for her brother, Lincoln, this summer.

We understand that Andy Dalmane is tending going into the ranching business this spring. Alex Zess purposes renting his farm.

There has been several meetings called lately to organize a Statute Labor District here, but the outside districts claim that they call the meetings just to air themselves. It's not for the Laird of Boharm was at the last meeting and he meant business.

March 5.—An old pioneer, in the person of John Rathwell, passed away on Saturday. The funeral took place on Monday to the Moose Jaw cemetery.

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